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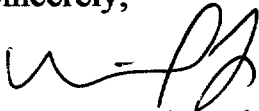
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Dear Ms. Salas,

Enclosed is an original and four copies of a Petition for Rule Making to amend the FM table of allotments for a new FM broadcast station for Wheatland, Wyoming.

Sincerely,



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In the matter of:)

Amendment of Section 73.202 (b))

Table of Allotments)

FM Broadcast Stations)

(Wheatland, Wyoming))

RM-_____

PETITION FOR RULE MAKING

In this petition, Mountain West Broadcasting is hereby requesting to allot channel 293C1 (106.5 Mhz) to Wheatland, Wyoming as its second FM allotment.

INTRODUCTION

1. This statement is a petition for rule making to allot FM channel 293C1 (106.5 Mhz) to Wheatland, Wyoming and add it to the Commission's FM table of allotments, 73.202. The following will show the need for an FM channel and the effects the allotment of Channel 293C1 to Wheatland will have.

DISCUSSION

2. Wheatland is located in eastern Wyoming. It is also located within Platte County, a county of some 8,145 persons. Wheatland has a population of 3,271 persons in accordance with the U.S. 1990 census.

3. The allotment of channel 293C1 to Wheatland will provide the second local FM broadcast facility to the community and/or the surrounding area. The closest other FM allotment to Wheatland is located at Glendo, WY. . Glendo is located 44 kilometers from Wheatland. KYCN(AM) and KZEW(FM) are both licensed to Wheatland, Wyoming. KYCN(AM) operates on 1340 KHz with 250 watts daytime and 250 watts during the nighttime hours. KZEW(FM) operates on channel 269A (101.7 MHz) with 3,000 watts ERP at 126 feet, HAAT. The allotment of channel 293C1 would provide Wheatland and Platte County with its first "wide area" coverage station.

4. Wheatland would greatly benefit from an FM allotment due to the fact there is no other AM or FM broadcast facilities, except KYCN AM & KZEW FM, within 44 Kilometers of Wheatland. Health and safety for the community would be increased due to having an additional local communications outlet for warning the Wheatland area of emergency conditions caused by severe weather or other health hazards. The allotment of channel 293C1 will provide the first "wide area" service to the Wheatland area.

5. Channel 293C1 can be allotted to Wheatland and meet all rules and requirements of the Commission. The instant proposal will not cause a change in the channel number or a deletion of any channel now appearing in the Commission's table of allotments 73.202.

	<u>Present</u>	<u>Proposed</u>
Wheatland, Wyoming	269A	269A, 293C1

6. In accordance with 73.207 of the Commission's rules, "Minimum Distance Separations between Stations", all allotments on Channel 293C1 and the pertinent adjacent channels to 293C1 have been studied with the results listed in Figure 1 of this petition. The geographic coordinates used for the spacing study (N 42 - 25' - 32", W. 104 - 57' - 21") are that of a site located 41 kilometers north of the community of Wheatland. A site restriction of 41 kilometers north will be required to allot channel 293C1 to Wheatland. Many suitable transmitter sites are available to provide city grade coverage (3.16 mv/m or 70 dbu) to the entire community of Wheatland. These sites would also provide full minimum spacing requirements to other allotments.

CONCLUSION

7. It has been shown that Wheatland would benefit from the allotment of channel 293C1. It has also been shown that channel 293C1 can be allotted to Wheatland and meet all rules regarding spacing from other stations. Considering these two facts, Mountain West Broadcasting hereby requests that the Federal Communications Commission institute a Rule Making proceeding to amend the Table of Allotments to add channel 293C1 for Wheatland, Wyoming , 73.202.

8. Should channel 293C1 be allotted to Wheatland, Wyoming, I certify that I will file an application for a Construction Permit to operate an FM station for Wheatland, Wyoming.

CERTIFICATION

9. I certify that I have prepared or directly supervised the preparation of this entire Petition for Rule Making, and that the facts contained within are true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief, accurate and true.

Dated: March 1, 1999

Respectfully submitted,



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MAPFM search of channel 293C1 (106.5 MHz), at N. 42 25 32, W. 104 57 21.

Searching Channel 293C1 (106.5 MHz):

CALL	CITY	ST	CHN	CL	S	DIST	SEPN	BRNG	CLEARANCE
ALC	Rapid City	SD	292	C	U	231.2	209.0	37.3°	22.2
NEW	Rapid City	SD	292	C	C	217.2	209.0	37.9°	8.2
ALC	Cheyenne	WY	292	C3	V	143.8	144.0	174.9°	-0.2
KLEN	Cheyenne	WY	292	A	L	143.8	129.0	174.9°	14.8
KLEN	Cheyenne	WY	292	C3	A	147.2	144.0	181.6°	3.2
KLEN	Cheyenne	WY	292	C3	A	147.2	144.0	181.6°	3.2
ALC	Ogallala	NE	293	C1	U	306.7	245.0	117.9°	61.7
KMCX	Ogallala	NE	293	C1	L	306.7	245.0	117.9°	61.7
ALC	Superior	WY	293	C	A	340.0	270.0	257.6°	70.0
ALC	Superior	WY	293	C	A	340.0	270.0	257.6°	70.0
ALC	Casper	WY	295	C	U	116.2	105.0	287.5°	11.2
KASS	Casper	WY	295	C	C	116.5	105.0	287.6°	11.5
KASS	Casper	WY	295	C	L	116.2	105.0	287.5°	11.2
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FIGURE 1
WHEATLAND, WYOMING
MOUNTAIN WEST BROADCASTING